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Dear Sir:

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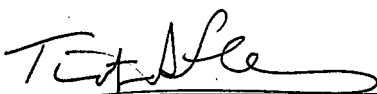
This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2007. The Office Action requires that Applicants elect a single disclosed invention for prosecution on the merits. Applicants provisionally elect Invention II, which corresponds to method claims 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 15-17 and 19-23 of the application. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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